

PERSONNEL POLICY
Fauquier County, Virginia

Policy Title:

Section No.:
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Effective Date:
February 4, 1992

Lobbying Policy

I. PURPOSE

To provide guidelines in regards to proposed or pending legislation in the General Assembly and regulatory changes by State agencies.

II. SCOPE

This policy applies to members of the Board of Supervisors, officials appointed by the Board of Supervisors and all Fauquier County employees.

III. GUIDELINES

- A. Supervisors, appointed officials and employees are authorized to speak on behalf of the County if the Board of Supervisors has taken a documented position on the particular matter. No one other than members of the Board of Supervisors should give testimony at a public hearing representing the County's position without prior approval by the Board of Supervisors or the County Administrator.
- B. If time does not allow for the Board of Supervisors to formally act on an issue at their regularly scheduled meeting, the County Administrator may poll the individual Supervisors to arrive at the consensus of the Board. The individual speaking on behalf of the County will then be authorized by the County Administrator to make the appropriate comments.
- C. Reasonable expenses for transportation, meals, lodging and any other out of pocket expenses will be paid by the County for anyone authorized to speak on behalf of the County.
- D. Anyone contacting members of the General Assembly or regulatory agencies on behalf of the County shall make a report at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Supervisors as to the content of their discussion, testimony or correspondence and the response.
- E. All elected officials, appointed officials and employees have the right to express their personal views but must be certain they do not purport to speak on behalf of the County nor are they eligible for payment of any expenses.